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## ***Research Interests***

My research interest is in the area of energy metabolism. In particular, I am interested in studying animal models that can help us understand obesity, diabetes, and food intake. I study mammals that hibernate, because they undergo dramatic body mass cycles that are primarily based on fat storage and utilization. In addition, I work on hormone cell signaling in fat and muscle cells, because this is an important part of how nutrients are used.

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